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Local folk-lore has several thousand volumes and pamphlets, German being particularly strong. Other subjects of note are ballads (a very large collection), fables, proverbs, gipsies, saints' lives, and mediæval romances and legends. There is an excellent Faust collection, including many German and Dutch chap-books. "Tyll Eulenspiegel" and the "Seven Wise Masters," "Rübezahl" and the Norse sagas, should also be mentioned. On witchcraft there is less material, but there are some rare and early works, and pamphlets infrequently met with, especially in German. Alchemy and astrology have not been purchased to any large extent. The collection on the American Indians has developed recently. There are also, of course, books on plant and animal lore and other similar matters, and a number of chap-books and broadside ballads.

Much in the other parts of the collection will also be of interest. Oriental literature is perhaps the most notable feature, Sanscrit, Arabic, and Persian books being very numerous. In all, a hundred and forty languages from all parts of the world are represented in the collection. Some of the other features are Oriental history, especially that of India; mediæval literature, present in great abundance (except that purely linguistic material and the philological journals have not, as a rule, fallen within the scope of the collection); archæology, chiefly Asiatic, including a long series of the publications of the Archæological Survey of India and neighboring countries; Assyriology; Egyptology (all the principal archæological series being available); Mexican and Maya picture-writing; Western editions of works on China and Japan; early Irish and Welsh literature, ethnology, and early travel, a number of the geographical publishing societies having been added of late. Finally, in catalogues of manuscripts in European and Oriental libraries, the White collection stands among the first three or four in the country.

While no printed lists are in existence, any desired book can be found readily, and loans will gladly be made. Applications should be made, if possible, through the library of the institution with which the applicant is connected; those not in a position to comply with this rule should state their case. The period for which books are loaned is ordinarily two weeks, with the privilege of renewal for two weeks more; but other arrangements may be made if need warrants. All communications should be addressed to the Librarian, Public Library, Cleveland, O.

ALABAMA FOLK-LORE.—At a meeting of the English Teachers' Association held at Birmingham, Ala., April 7, 1916, Professor N. I. White read a paper on the collection of folk-lore, which contained "The Yankee Soldier," Negro songs heard on a farm in Alabama, "Simon Slick," a hunting-song from Alabama, Negro hymns, and "Sistah Mary Wove Three Links of Chain." These are published in the "Official Proceedings of the Thirty-Fifth Annual Convention of the Alabama Educational Association" (Birmingham, 1916), 35:119-126.